

PACKAGING FOR HAIR BANDS HAVING SPLIT MOUNT PANEL**Abstract of the Invention**

A packaging assembly for looped elastic hair bands includes a display member having a mount panel on which the hair bands are received in a side-by-side arrangement. The mount panel is surrounded by an outer peripheral portion of the display member and includes an intermediately located discontinuity dividing the panel into first and second portions each having a first end adjacent the discontinuity and an opposite second end secured to the peripheral portion. The assembly further includes a panel link member having opposite tabs received in elongated openings of the mount panel portions. An elongated flexible connector is received through openings in each of the link member tabs and includes opposite ends secured together to form a closed loop. The connector may also be received through the loop of at least one of the hair bands.